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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Administration
FROM : Clifford D. May, Jr.
Director of Data Processing
SUBJECT : ODP Report for Week Ending 23 September 1977

* Major Computer System Out of Service

The IBM 360/195 computer system in ODP's Ruffing Computer Center has been out of service for over 70 hours since 19 September 1977. Several problems have arisen that required us to take the system down. The IBM Corporation has brought in their top diagnostic personnel to work on the problems. Although the IBM 360/195 is one of the fastest computers ever built, it has also shown itself to be an extremely difficult machine to repair.

A backlog of several hundred computer jobs has built up since Monday, 19 September. This system is our primary batch computer job processor during the day. As a result, turnaround during the day is very poor.

Unfortunately, we have no good estimate as to when the problems will be solved. In the meantime, our batch turnaround will continue to be poor. We have notified all Agency ADP Control Officers of our situation and will continue to keep them up to date on the status of the system. [REDACTED] STATINTL

* VIP Briefings

On 21 September 1977, D/OC and D/ODP provided briefings on their Offices and tours of their Headquarters facilities [REDACTED] of NSA.

[REDACTED] Telecommunications and is Chief, Policy and Liaison. STATINTL

On 21 September 1977, D/ODP also briefed [REDACTED] a White House Fellow on assignment to CIA, concerning ODP's mission and functions. [REDACTED] is a lawyer from a New York law firm. STATINTL

On 26 September 1977, D/ODP is scheduled to brief Senate Oversight Committee staffers. The purpose of the briefing is to provide them with information on CIA's use and management of ADP. ADP Control Officers from each Directorate have been invited to attend. [REDACTED]

SAFE

Contractors were notified on 21 September 1977 of award of the Design Competition Phase contracts. Contract signing is expected on 26 September 1977. CRB review has been waived for these contracts. [REDACTED]

ADSTAR

The Source Evaluation Board (SEB) completed its final evaluation of the three ADSTAR proposals on 15 September 1977. The ADSTAR Source Selection Board (SSB) met on 21 September and unanimously approved the recommendation made by the SEB.

The D/ODP was briefed on the results of the SSB meeting. He was also given a brief technical description of the selected contractor's ADSTAR design. The DDI was also briefed on the selection made by the SSB. [REDACTED]

CAMS Computer Center Under Study

We have received a draft of a memorandum from Office of Logistics concerning the development of a separate CAMS computer center. Although OL is still investigating the availability of space outside Headquarters, the preliminary blueprints indicate that the center will be located on the ground floor, interior C corridor, directly under the space A Division, ODP, now occupies. The total cost is projected to be \$1,386K with \$450K of FY-78 funds needed to cover A&E (\$50K) design, and UPS hardware (\$400K). The \$400K for UPS hardware, however, can be delayed until FY-79 with possible impact on the estimated completion date of 1 August 1979. [REDACTED]

Hardware Failures Interrupt CAMS Service

The IBM 360/65-1 CAMS machine in the Special Center experienced two separate hardware failures during the past week. These failures resulted in over eight hours of down time. [REDACTED]

Service to BDO Interrupted

A power loss on a bank of 3330 disk drives in the Special Center damaged several disk packs. Both the IBM 370/158 Red and Blue computers, which process STAR and other BDO applications, were out of service for several hours while the disk packs were being restored. [REDACTED]

SANCA Problems Studied

A series of unrelated system failures occurred in different parts of the SANCA processing. These system failures caused delays in the production of the SANCA outputs. A meeting was held by representatives from Offices of Security and Data Processing on 14 September for the purpose of resolving the system failures. A list of remedial actions was agreed upon and will be implemented jointly by OS and ODP in an effort to prevent recurrence of the problems. [REDACTED] STATINTL

IBM 360/195 Replacement RFP

Amendment #2 to RFP 15-77A was mailed to all vendors on 20 September. This amendment made minor corrections to the RFP and answered questions raised by IBM at a meeting on 19 September regarding evaluation criteria and the equivalency of the IBM 3033 and Amdahl 470/V6 processors. Proposals are due 12 noon, 26 September 1977. [REDACTED] STATINTL

Data Transmission Working Group

This working group met on 20 September to discuss the Electronic Time and Attendance Reporting (ETAR) program. Attendees discussed points of difference between Office of Finance and Office of Communications and the implementation of this project. [REDACTED] STATINTL

Recruiters' Conference

[REDACTED] briefed the annual Office of Personnel Recruiters Conference on 19 September 1977. The recruiters were present from all over the United States and were very interested in finding out exactly what ODP requirements were for personnel. [REDACTED] covered all of our requirements from the part time Data Transcriber to the experienced Systems Programmer. The recruiters asked detailed questions concerning the growth of ADP in the Agency and what they should be looking for in terms of background and experience when they interview applicants interested in working with computers. [REDACTED] STATINTL

Support to Office of Comptroller

PAS - Survey of intelligence production publications to determine the value of collection sources. A programming procedure, which uses CROSSTABS software, and updated documentation were delivered to the customer. This procedure graphically displays the relationship between Key Intelligence Questions (KIQ) and source documents which contain material on the KIQ. [REDACTED] STATINTL

Support to Office of Geographic and Cartographic Research

CARTDEV - Developmental support to Cartography Division. Conversion of the U. S. Forestry's line-of-sight program were completed. Documentation and production procedures were delivered to the customer. The program determines which points in a digitized terrain array are visible from any of 50 viewpoints. Output from the program is a graphical display drawn by a CALCOMP computer plotter which may be overlaid on a map. [REDACTED]

Training

A two day course, Data Processing Concepts, was completed by 18 students. A one day course, Interactive System Concepts, was completed by 18 students. TEC B, an eight week intensive training course for new PL/1 programmers, was begun. Four students, one of whom is in Project AIM, are enrolled. [REDACTED]

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